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Application No.: To be Assigned)	Parent Examiner: E. Hug
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For: AN APPARATUS AND METHOD)	
FOR DEGRADING A WEB IN)	
THE MACHINE DIRECTION)	
WHILE PRESERVING CROSS-)	
MACHINE DIRECTION)	
STRENGTH)	

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Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification are included in this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.